

St. Joseph's College of Commerce (Autonomous)
#163, Brigade Road, Bangalore - 560 025
LESSON PLAN - MKT 506 Elective

Subject Name: Consumer Behaviour (Revised)

Lecture hours: 60

Objective: To introduce the fundamental concepts of consumer behaviour and its importance in the study of marketing.

| Sl. No | UNIT & OBJECTIVES | No. of Lecture Hours | Methodology/ Instructional techniques | Evaluation/ learning confirmation |
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| Unit 1 | INTRODUCTION - Define consumer and understand the importance of consumer behaviour studies in marketing | 10 Hours | | |
| 1 | Definition and scope - Consumer and customer - Disciplines involved in the study of consumer behaviour - Necessity of studying consumer behaviour | 3 | Lecture | Question and Answer |
| 2 | Consumer behaviour application in marketing - Trends in consumer behaviour | 2 | Lecture | Question and Answer |
| 3 | Market segmentation and consumer behaviour - VALS psychographic segmentation. | 3 | Lecture | Question and Answer |
| 4. | Meaning and Use of Big Data in Consumer behaviour Studies - Changing paradigm of Market Segmentation - Gaining Consumer Insights through Behavioral Insights on Big Data | 2 | Lecture | Question and Answer |
| Unit 2 | THE EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENT - To understand the various external factors that determine consumer behaviour | 10 Hours | | |
| 1 | Factors influencing consumer behaviour - Consumer & cultural influences - Sub-cultural and cross cultural influences - Social class influences and consumer behaviour | 5 | Lecture | Presentation |
| 2 | Group dynamics and consumer reference groups - Household decision making and family influences | 5 | Lecture | Assignment |
| Unit 3 | INDIVIDUAL DETERMINANTS OF CONSUMER BEHAVIOUR - To understand the various individual and intrinsic factors that determine consumer behaviour | 18 Hours | | |
| 1 | Needs - Goals and motives of consumers - Other Theories of Motivation i.e., Marshallian's - Freud's - Herzberg's - Maslow's hierarchy of needs | 5 | Lecture | Assignment |
| 2 | Personality and self-concept - Self-concept theory - Psycho analytic theory - Neo Freudian theory - Trait theory of personality. | 4 | Lecture & Case Study | Question and Answer |
| 3 | Perception: Factors and process - Components of consumer learning - Mechanisms of learning - Consumer memory - Consumer information processing | 6 | Lecture & Case Study | Question and Answer |
| 4 | Nature of consumer attitudes - Components of attitudes - Hierarchy of effects - Attitude formation and change. | 3 | Lecture & Case Study | Question and Answer |

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| Unit 4 | CONSUMER DECISION MAKING PROCESS - Understand the importance of consumer decision making process in marketing | 10 Hours | | |
| 1 | Stages in consumer decision process - Types of decision making - Post purchase behaviour | 5 | Lecture | Presentation |
| 2 | Personal influence and opinion leadership - Diffusion of innovations - Adoption process | 5 | Lecture | Presentation |
| Unit 5 | CONSUMER SATISFACTION AND CONSUMERISM - | 12 Hours | | |
| 1 | Concept of consumer satisfaction: Working towards enhancing consumer satisfaction - Sources of consumer dissatisfaction - Dealing with consumer complaint | 5 | Lecture | Question and Answer |
| 2 | Concept of consumerism - Consumerism in India - Reasons for growth of consumerism in India - Consumer Protection Act 1986. | 7 | Lecture | Assignment |

Books for Reference

1. Colin Strong. Humanizing Big Data: Marketing at the Meeting of Data, Social Science and Consumer Insight. Colin Strong Kogan Page Publishers (2015)
2. Steve Lohr. Data-ism: The Revolution Transforming Decision Making, Consumer Behavior, and Almost Everything Else. Harper Collins,